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Legislative Counsel

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Mr. Thomas K. Latimer, Staff Director  
Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Tom:

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This letter is in response to your letter of 16 August in which you requested a summary of the Inspector General (IG) proceedings on the [ ] case. As I am sure that you fully appreciate, any summary of this nature runs the risk of violating the individual's right to privacy and, indeed, the confidentiality of IG proceedings. Accordingly, I request that you treat this letter with appropriate sensitivity.

A summary of the IG proceedings follows:

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-- [ ] contacted the Office of the Inspector General in January 1976. An investigation of the matter he brought to its attention at that time was undertaken and he was informed of the results of that investigation in a letter from then Inspector General, Donald F. Chamberlain, on 10 February 1976.

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-- In a memorandum dated 3 March 1976, [ ] complained that he had not received the 10 February letter until 1 March and that it had been placed on his desk in an envelope which had been previously opened. He asked that the location of the envelope between 1 February and 1 March 1976 be traced and that the identity of the person who opened the envelope be determined. An investigation was conducted, and the results were inconclusive. It was surmised that the letter was temporarily lost in routine mail delivery. A series of interviews failed to reveal how or by whom the envelope containing the letter had been opened. [ ] was so informed in a second letter from then Inspector Chamberlain on 15 March 1976.

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-- On 2 April 1976, [ ] wrote to the Inspector General alleging inefficient and possibly improper practices by his employing office. His letter was unclear. An investigation by an IG inspector revealed that some of [ ] points were valid but not very significant. Inspector General Chamberlain wrote [ ] on 1 June 1976, explaining certain points and thanking him for his concern.

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-- John H. Waller, Inspector General, has stated that he is satisfied that the grievances and allegations which [ ] brought to the IG were thoroughly investigated and that [ ] was adequately informed of the results of those investigations. In June 1978 the IG was informed by the Office of Equal Employment Opportunity that [ ] was pursuing two EEO cases against the Agency and that a third EEO case might be initiated by him.

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Sincerely,

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